Meetings.

Notice of meetings.

Ballot.

For adoption.

Act of consolidation.

Agreement recorded.

object of which meeting due notice shall be given by publication at least once a week for four successive weeks in one or more newspapers published in the county wherein each corporation either has its principal office or conducts its business (and if there be no newspaper published in such county, then in a newspaper published in an adjoining county), and a copy of such notice shall be mailed to the last known postoffice address of each stockholder of each corporation, at least twenty days prior to the date of such meeting, and at said meeting said agreement shall be considered and a vote by ballot, in person or by proxy, taken for the adoption or rejection of the same, each share entitled to vote entitling the holder thereof to one vote; and if the votes of the stockholders of each corporation representing a majority of the outstanding shares of stock entitled to vote shall be for the adoption of the said agreement, then that fact shall be certified on said agreement by the secretary of each corporation, under the seal thereof; and the agreement so adopted and certified shall be signed by the president or vice-president and secretary or assistant secretary of each of said corporations under the corporate seals thereof and acknowledged by the president or vice-president for each of such corporations before any officer authorized by the laws of this State to take acknowledgments of deeds to be the respective act, deed and agreement of each of said corporations, and the agreement so certified and acknowledged shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, and shall thence be taken and deemed to be the agreement and act of consolidation of the said corporation; and a copy of said agreement and act of consolidation, duly certified by the Secretary of State under the seal of his office, shall also be recorded in the office of the clerk of the Superior Court of the county of this State in which the principal office of the consolidated corporation is, or is to be, established, and in the offices of the clerks of the Superior Courts of the counties of this State in which the respective corporations so consolidating shall have their original charters recorded, or if any of the corporations shall have been specially created by a public act of the Legislature, then said agreement shall be recorded in the county where such corporation shall have had its principal office, and also in the office of the register of deeds of each county in which either or any of the corporations entering into the consolidation owns any real estate, and such record or a certified copy thereof, shall be evidence of the existence of the corporation created by the said agreement, and of the observance and performance of all antecedent acts and conditions necessary to the creation thereof.